

Team McChord Honorary Commander
Change of Command Ceremony
Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA
Oct. 16, 2020



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Arrival of the Official Party

Presentation of the Colors

National Anthem

Invocation

Opening remarks

Col. Erin M. Staine-Pyne

Honorary Commander Induction

Air Force Song

Departure of Official Party

C-17 Globemaster III Tour

COLONEL ERIN M. STAINE-PYNE

Colonel Erin M. Staine-Pyne is the Commander of the 62nd Airlift Wing, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. She ensures the readiness of more than 2,400 active-duty military and civilian personnel, along with 40 permanently assigned C-17 Globemaster III aircraft to support worldwide combat and humanitarian airlift and airdrop operations. As the provider of the Prime Nuclear Airlift Forces, the 62 AW is the only wing in the Department of Defense tasked to airlift nuclear and nuclear-related cargo.



In addition, the 62 AW serves as the primary active-duty wing in support of Operation Deep Freeze, partnering with Reserve, Guard, and civilian agencies to provide airlift support for the National Science Foundation's U.S. Antarctic Program. The wing also provides mission support to the 446th Airlift Wing (Associate).

Additionally, Colonel Staine-Pyne serves as the U.S. Air Force Senior Service Component Commander at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, representing the interests of approximately 7,000 Total Force Airmen to the Joint Base Partnership Council and the surrounding community in the Pacific Northwest.

Colonel Staine-Pyne was born in West Point, New York. She received her bachelor of science degree from the United States Air Force Academy. She has served in a variety of flying positions including as a Weapons Officer in the C- 130E/H and Instructor Pilot in the C-17A. She has held key staff positions at the squadron and major command levels. Colonel Staine-Pyne served as Commander, 8th Airlift Squadron, Joint Base Lewis-McChord prior to attending the National War College and earning a masters degree in National Security Strategy. Her deployments include one Combined Air Operation Center tour in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM; numerous C-130E/H combat deployments in support of Operations ALLIED FORCE, JOINT FORGE, SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM; and as the Commander, 817th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron.

Colonel Staine-Pyne also served as the United States Transportation Command Liaison Officer to U.S. Pacific Command, providing advice and assistance to USPACOM leadership and staff on joint deployment and distribution issues associated with supported USPACOM operations, plans, exercises, policies, and procedures prior to her current position. Most recently, she served as the Vice Commander of the 62nd AW.



62nd Airlift Wing Honorary Commander

Michael Grayum *City Administrator*City of Yelm

Michael Grayum was appointed unanimously by the Mayor and City Council as the City Administrator of the City of Yelm. He serves as the professional administrator responsible for coordinating and managing all municipal operations and administrative affairs for the city. He facilitated the development of the city's first mission, vision and values, and spearheaded the utilization of communications and multimedia resources to increase community participation. He also strengthened regional partnerships with the leaders of JBLM, tribal governments, business and community organizations.



446th Airlift WingHonorary Commander

Andy Ryder Mayor City of Lacey

Andy Ryder is the mayor of Lacey. H was elected to Lacey City Council in 2009 and currently serves the City of Lacey as the Chair of the Finance and Economic Development committee and a member of the General Government committee. Mayor Ryder also represents Lacey as the Chair of the Transportation Policy Board for the Thurston Regional Planning Council since 2012.



627th Air Base Group Honorary Commander

Jeremiah Visaya General Manager Titus Will Ford of Lakewood

Jeremiah Visaya is the general manager of the Titus-Will Ford of Lakewood. He has been in the auto industry for 24 years, working with only three dealerships in this time, the last 10 years with the Titus-Will organization.



62nd Maintenance Group Honorary Commander

Beth Boggs
Executive Director
American Leadership Forum of
Tacoma/Pierce County

Born and raised in Tacoma and Lakewood, Beth joined the American Leadership Forum of Tacoma/Pierce County (ALF) in 2008, and took over as the Executive Director in 2012. The ALF Tacoma/Pierce County Chapter, one of nine chapters throughout the country, focuses on building diverse, cross-sector leadership capacity and increasing civic engagement and collaboration to find inclusive and innovative solutions to solving issues in Pierce County.

Beth currently serves on the board of the Center for Dialog and Resolution and was on the PTA at her children's elementary school.



62nd Medical Squadron Honorary Commander

Bill RobertsonPresident/CEO
MultiCare Health System

William "Bill" Robertson, president and CEO, joined MultiCare in 2014. He came from Adventist HealthCare Inc. based in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Prior to Adventist, Robertson served as CEO of Shawnee Mission Medical Center near Kansa City, Kan. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Southern Adventist University, and a Master of Business Administration from Texas Christian University. He was also a Certified Public Accountant.



7th Airlift Squadron Honorary Commander

Faaluaina Pritchard *Executive Director*Asia Pacific Cultural Center

Faaluaina "Lua" Pritchard has been the Executive Director of the Asia Pacific Cultural Center (APCC) in Tacoma since 2010. She retired as the executive director of Korean Women's Association in 2009 and is a member of the Asian Pacific Islander Coalition (APIC) of Pierce County. Faaluaina was awarded the OCA Achievement & Leadership Award for 2020.



8th Airlift Squadron Honorary Commander

Kristine Reeves *Former WA State Representative*Washington State

Kristine Reeves served as a Washington State Representative, representing the 30th District, from 2016-2019. She resigned her seat in 2019 to run for Congress in WA-10. She was the first African American women elected to the Washington State House in 18 years and the only woman in the legislature with children under 5.



4th Airlift Squadron Honorary Commander

Jason Davies
Owner/Manager
Chick-fil-A, Lakewood

Jason Davies is the owner of a franchisee Chick-fil-A in Lakewood, Wash. He was formerly a business consultant for Chick-fil-A Corporate overseeing grand openings and company-owned restaurants. Jason has a bachelor's degree in Biology and a master's degree in Student Administration.



62nd Operations Support Squadron Honorary Commander

T'wina NoblesPresident/CEO
Tacoma Urban League

T'wina Nobles is the president and CEO of the Tacoma Urban League and established the vision and strategy for the organization. She ensures the organization's fiscal, operations, fundraising, marketing, human resources, technology and programmatic strategies are effectively developed and implemented within the organization.



62nd Maintenance Squadron Honorary Commander

Sean SmithAssistant Plant Superintendent
CalPortland

Sean Smith is a fourth-generation mining engineer whose experience has taken him across the United States, into the high Andes in Peru and the coastal jungles of Brazil, and now to the storied shores of DuPont, Washington, where he is the assistant plant superintendent for CalPortland. When Sean is not spending his free time outdoors, climbing, hiking, skiing, and biking, he volunteers as a Board Member of the Nisqually Land Trust.



62nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Honorary Commander

Sean DotsonSuperintendent
Tumwater School District

Sean Dotson has served the students, community, and the school board of Tumwater School District since 2019. In this role, he oversaw operations of the third largest school district in Thurston County, serving over 6,000 students in grades K through 12. The district encompasses 117 square miles, includes six elementary schools, two middle schools, two comprehensive high schools, two alternative programs, and one virtual online school.



62nd Aerial Port Squadron Honorary Commander

Mary Quantrell
Operations Manager
Sodexo

Mary Quantrell retired from Alaska Airlines after 24 years in operations management and joined Sodexo Corporate Services, North America, in the Facilities Maintenance Division.

At Sodexo, Mary is the Operations Manager, Facilities and Engineering. She is responsible for the facilities maintenance and repair of 99 airport facilities in the lower 48, Canada, Mexico, Hawaii and the Caribbean. She manages vendor contracts, as well as oversees a group of technicians and vendors throughout the territory.



627th Logistics Readiness Squadron Honorary Commander

Josh Dunn
Founder/CEO
Premier Media Group

Josh Dunn is the founder and CEO of Premier Media Group, the creative leadership behind 425 Magazine, South Sound Magazine, 425 Business Magazine, and the new South Sound Business magazine-formerly Business Examiner. His 22-year career has focused on building creative media brands within the regional magazines arena. Since the opening of his business the week of Sept.11, 2001, Dunn and his team have been supporting more the 100,000 loyal readers.



627th Communications Squadron Honorary Commander

AJ Gordon *Vice President Technology Banking Div.*Banner Bank

AJ Gordon is the Vice President, Senior Relationship Manager for Banner Bank's Technology Banking Division. Additionally, he serves on Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors as Board Chairman, the Tacoma-Pierce County Business Alliance PAC Board of Directors as Board Chairman, and the Information Technology Cluster Strikeforce for the Economic Development Board of Tacoma-Pierce County.



627th Force Support Squadron Honorary Commander

Maia Espinoza Founder/Executive Director Center for Latino Leadership

Maia Espinoza is Executive Director and Founder of the Center for Latino Leadership, a civic-engagement, education-oriented non-profit based in Washington. She founded the organization to empower, inspire and equip the Latino community of Washington to engage in state and local government.



627th Security Forces SquadronHonorary Commander

Douglas NewmanChief
DuPont Police Department

Selected to lead the DuPont Police Department in January 2019, Chief Newman possesses over 25 years of civilian law enforcement experience working at the officer, investigator, sergeant and command levels. Prior to assuming the role as DuPont's Police Chief he served as a Commander with the Port of Seattle Police Department, with his last assignment as the Commander of the Criminal Investigations Division (CID).



627th Civil Engineer Squadron Honorary Commander

Heather WeekleyAssociate Campus Director
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Heather Weekley is the Associate Campus Director for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Tacoma. She promotes the university and its programs through participation in education fairs, briefing interested groups and other available means. She communicates with local civilian and military organizations and maintains relationships and communication with the local Education Services Office. She also assists in monitoring and processing budget expenditures for the campus.



62nd Comptroller Squadron Honorary Commander

Robert Thoms *City Councilman*Tacoma City Council

Robert Thoms is a City Councilman for the Tacoma City Council. He helps develop legislative policy, draft budgets and strategic vision for the city and works directly with state and federal delegation on important policy issues impacting the city. Robert is the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, a member of the Government Performance and Finance Committee, the Joint Municipal Action Committee. He serves on the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board and represents the city with the Association of Washington Cities and National League of Cities.



Mike Wark

361st Recruiting Squadron

Mike Wark

Vice President of Strategic Advancement

Pierce College

Mike Wark is the Vice President of Strategic Advancement for Pierce College. He built a full-service university relations office at the University of Washington-Tacoma within a highly collaborate advancement operation that encompasses communication, fundraising, marketing, community relations, events, government relations, corporate and foundation relations and alumni relations.



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The Air Force Song

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,

Climbing high into the sun;

Here they come zooming to meet our thunder,

At 'em, now, Giver 'em the gun!

(Give 'em the gun now!)

Down we dive, spouting our flame from under,

Off with one helluva roar!

We live in fame or go down in flame. Hey!

Nothing will stop the U.S. Air Force!





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